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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer who supports broadband competition. Until recently my only internet option was Comcast with high prices and very poor service when problems occurred. And their internet speeds over coaxial cable, though nominally high speed, often became too slow to function properly. Recently AT&T entered the market in my area but with comparable prices to Comcast. Shortly thereafter Sonic, a small local company, began offering high speed fiber-to-node internet in my area in competition with Comcast and AT&T but with markedly better service, comparable internet speeds and at HALF THE PRICE. Competition is critical to the future success of the internet. Please do not end the BRIDGE 2 BROADBAND. In areas without adequate competition from smaller companies the big companies can and do become complacent and leave much of the country with inferior product and inferior service.

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